



HUGS FOR THE WINNER

Ned Jarrett of Camden, S.C. gets hugs from his wife, right, and Vicki Johnson, Miss Southern 500, Monday after he won the Southern 500 Stock Car Race. The event was held at Darlington, S.C. (AP Wirephoto)

'65 Production Is Wheat Record

OTTAWA (CP)—The bureau of statistics has estimated 1965 wheat production at a record 759,804,000 bushels, beating the old high of 723,400,000 bushels in 1963. Many other crop records also were forecast.

The predicted wheat yield per acre of 26.9 bushels would also be a record by a paper-thin margin. The current record is 26.8 set in 1952.

Estimated Prairie wheat yield of 743,000,000 bushels is 29 per cent ahead of last year's crop of 578,000,000 and also well ahead of the 1963 record production of 703,000,000.

Rapeseed production forecast is for a record 28,000,000 bushels, more than double the old high of 13,200,000 set last year. Rapeseed yield of 19.5 bushels an acre would also be a record, surpassing the 1951 figure of 18.5.

FLAXSEED OUTPUT HIGH

Forecast flaxseed output of 29,150,000 bushels would be the second largest crop on record. Last year's was 20,313,000.

Estimated yields per acre of oats, barley and rye surpassed the old highs. Predicted production of every grain exceeded last year's output. Mixed grain production of 74,411,000 bushels would be a record as would the yield per acre of 49.4.

The crop estimates by the federal agency were based on an Aug. 15 survey when the Prairie harvest had just started. The report warned that the estimates would hold good only if satisfactory weather conditions prevailed for the remainder of the growing and harvest season.

Marketing Agency Increases Honey Sales From Prairies

By KEN EMMOND

WINNIPEG (CP) — Three Prairie honey-processing plants are seeing the advantages of establishing a wholly-owned agency to increase the size of their market and lower marketing costs.

Set up in the 1950s, Interprovincial Honey Sales Co-operative Ltd. began operating in 1959 and last year marketed 63 per cent of all honey exported from Canada.

Frank Garland, manager of Interprovincial, said the establishment of the marketing agency has "resulted in the enlargement of the domestic market and the development of a remunerative export market."

The market began operating about the time Prairie honey production started to increase sharply.

RAISE PRODUCTION

Between 1949 and 1958 average annual honey production on the Prairies was about 13,100,000 pounds. Since then, it has risen to a peak of more than 24,000,000 pounds in 1963—more than half of the total Canadian honey production.

Mr. Garland, who is also manager of Clover Crest Honey in Winnipeg, said "there is apt to be a substantial increase in volume in the next five years."

In 1949, Clover Crest Honey and Saskatchewan honey producers began working through the agency Alberta Honey Producers Co-operative Ltd. joined in 1963.

About the same time Interprovincial was started, the United Kingdom lifted restrictions on honey imports from non-sterling areas. For the first time since 1941, Canada was able to export honey to Britain and sold 871,000 pounds there.

MOST SOLD TO U.K.

Honey exports to the U.K. have expanded to 4,500,000 pounds, or 90 per cent of all honey exports.

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Quebec Will 'Advise' But Not 'Ask' Gov't

QUEBEC (CP) — Pierre Laporte, Quebec minister of cultural affairs, said here Quebec and Ottawa have agreed that Quebec will "advise" the federal government of international agreements it plans to sign, but not "seek permission" to sign them.

The man who will communicate with the federal authorities is Claude Morin, chairman of an interdepartmental committee formed to deal with international relations in areas of Quebec jurisdiction.

"Mr. Morin will inform Ottawa of a planned agreement with a foreign country," Mr. Laporte said. "He will not submit it to Ottawa for approval."

But the foreign government may ask Ottawa for its approval of the agreement, he said.

that preliminary discussions have already been held. He said also that similar steps are being taken toward cultural agreements between Quebec and New Brunswick and between Quebec and Louisiana.

The agreements are expected to be completed and signed before the end of the year. They will provide principally for exchange theatrical groups, motion picture personalities and musicians.

Mr. Laporte plans to go to New Brunswick around the end of September to talk with Premier Robichaud about an agreement, already reached in principle but not yet drawn up.

U.S. Steel Industry, Unions Clean Up Agreement Details

PITTSBURGH (AP) — American steel industry and union teams worked Monday to clean up final details of a 35-month labor agreement before its official signing.

A spokesman for the United Steelworkers said joint subcommittees were resolving some local issues and ironing out contract language.

I. W. Abel, union president, and R. Conrad Cooper, chief negotiator for 10 major steel companies, were standing by for the formal signing expected later Monday.

The settlement negotiated last week under constant prodding from President Johnson averted an economy-jarring strike set for midnight Wednesday night.

It assures labor peace in the basic steel industry in the United States until at least Aug. 1, 1968. A strike would have made idle some 450,000 steelworkers and shut off 80 per cent of the country's steelmaking capacity.

Approved by the union's wage policy committee Sunday, the agreement gives basic steelworkers increased earnings and benefits estimated by the union at 47.3 cents an hour.

The U.S. government pegged the increases at 49 cents an hour while the industry was reported to have placed an even higher price tag on them.

Steelworkers already were among the highest paid industrial workers in the country, averaging \$4.40 an hour in wages and benefits.

Differences in the cost estimates were based largely on predictions of how many workers would take advantage of an early retirement provision—\$150 a month after 30 years' service

regardless of age. About 50,000 union members are eligible.

The agreement provides immediate pay raises ranging from 10 to 15 cents an hour and additional hourly boosts of six to 12 cents effective Aug. 1, 1967.

POLIO VICTIM SWIMS A MILE

SEATTLE (AP) — Wayne Hatcher can't walk a foot but he can swim a mile.

He did it here in a pool to celebrate his 12th birthday. It took three hours and 55 minutes for the 72 laps, but for a lad who has been a polio victim since he was 10 months old, it was an Olympic feat.

Wayne labored through the pool, swimming almost entirely with his arms. Sometimes he swam on his back and sometimes did a sort of underwater crawl.

Wayne's mother, Mrs. Jack G. Hatcher, said the boy had no voice and could move only his fingers when first stricken with polio. Now he plays the piano and can speak.

When the Hatchers moved here June 20 from Wichita, Kan., where the father was a Boeing Company engineer, Wayne could swim only a pool length. He has been taking lessons every weekday, and his teacher said "the mile was a challenge to him."

Some doctors have said Wayne never will walk, but his mother disagrees.

"He will walk," she said. "Maybe not like you and I. But he will walk."

Britain's Gold Reserves Drop

LONDON (Reuters) — Britain's gold and convertible currency reserves fell by £24,000,000 (\$72,000,000) to £923,000,000 (\$2,789,000,000) Aug. 31, it was announced here.

During the month, Britain repaid more than £14,000,000 (\$42,000,000) in inter-governmental debts.

Use was made of the £750,000,000 "swap" facilities Britain has with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, but no figures were given in today's treasury department announcement.

In July, the reserves fell by £50,000,000 (\$150,000,000) despite a West German advance payment of £41,000,000 (\$123,000,000) in connection with Britain's West German army costs, and additional drawings on the "swap" facilities.

The £923,000,000 level reached at the end of August was exactly the same as it was 12 months ago.



ATTACKED BY RATS

Raymond McGillivray, 16 months, rests in the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children after he was attacked by rats in his crib at his home in the city's Cabbagetown area. His screams brought his parents to his bedside. They found him covered with blood from dozens of bites, mostly on his face and one arm. Hospital officials described his condition as "fairly good" but he will stay in hospital for anti-rabies shots. (CP Wirephoto)

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